



IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

In re application of:

Ruben *et al.*

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For: **Keratinocyte Growth Factor-2**

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Reply to Requirement Under 37 C.F.R. § 1.105

Commissioner for Patents
Washington, D.C. 20231

Sir:

In reply to the Office Action dated October 21, 2002 (PTO Prosecution File Wrapper Paper No. 20), Applicants submit the following Reply.

It is not believed that extensions of time or fees for net addition of claims are required beyond those that may otherwise be provided for in documents accompanying this paper. However, if additional extensions of time are necessary to prevent abandonment of this application, then such extensions of time are hereby petitioned under 37 C.F.R. § 1.136(a), and any fees required therefor (including fees for net addition of claims) are hereby authorized to be charged to our Deposit Account No. 19-0036.

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